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1. PROVIDED BELOW IS THE TEXT OF THE RWANDA/BURUNDI  
SITREP CIRCULATED IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR JUNE 29. THE  
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2. BEGIN TEXT OF SITREP:

RWANDA/BURUNDI SITREP JUNE 29

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SITUATION ON THE GROUND

RWANDA

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THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT EMBASSY IN PARIS ISSUED A  
STATEMENT TODAY CALLING FOR AN EXPANSION OF THE FRENCH  
INTERVENTION INTO RPF-CONTROLLED TERRITORIES. (REUTER)

RPF POLITICAL SECTION LEADER ALEXIS KANYARENGWE SAID THE

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THREAT OF A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN RPF FIGHTERS AND FRENCH TROOPS WAS NO LONGER VALID. (LE MONDE)

UNAMIR MANAGED TO GET MORE THAN THREE TONS OF FOOD TO DISPLACED CIVILIANS TRAPPED IN KIGALI, DESPITE RPF VIOLATIONS OF A TEMPORARY TRUCE ESTABLISHED FOR THE HUMANITARIAN MISSION. (REUTER)

(LOU) THE ICRC REPORTS THAT RADIO MILLES COLLINES BEGAN BROADCASTING ANTI-FRENCH PROPAGANDA ON MONDAY, JUNE 27, TELLING LISTENERS THAT THE INTERVENTION IS PLAYING OUT DIFFERENTLY THAN EXPECTED. (GENEVA 005793)

DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES

(C) AT A UNAMIR CONTRIBUTOR'S MEETING IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY, GHANA CONTRADICTED UN MILAD GENERAL BARIL'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE GHANAIA TROOPS WOULD BE ON THE GROUND IN RWANDA THIS WEEKEND. THE GHANAIA

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REPRESENTATIVE TOLD THE MEETING THAT THE GOG HAD EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS, BUT HAD NOT PLEDGED TO DEPLOY TROOPS. USUN BELIEVES THE GOG ARE HOLDING OUT FOR A MAXIMUM EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTION FROM THE UNITED STATES. (NEW YORK 002667)

(C) UN UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL KOFI ANNAN SAYS THE UN WANTS 40 ADDITIONAL APCs FROM THE UNITED STATES IN LIGHT OF THE ABSENCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES AND THE NEED TO STANDARDIZED MAJOR END ITEMS FOR MAINTENANCE, LOGISTICS, AND TRAINING. ANNAN ENVISIONS ASSIGNING THE APCs TO ZIMBABWEAN TROOPS, AND WOULD LIKE TO ASSIGN THE WHEELED APCs THE SOUTH AFRICANS ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE TO AN AS YET UNIDENTIFIED THIRD MOTORIZED BATTALION. (NEW YORK 002667)

(C) TUNISIA HAS DECIDED TO AUGMENT ITS UNAMIR CONTINGENT WITH AN ADDITIONAL 500-600 TROOPS, ACCORDING TO ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF BEN HASSINE. HE SUGGESTED THAT BECAUSE SOLDIERS ARE DIRECTLY PAID FROM UN ALLOCATION, THE ARMY WOULD BE MORE RESPONSIVE TO PROMPT MOBILIZATION IF UN ARREARAGES FOR PAST CONTRIBUTIONS WERE PAID OFF.



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(C) THE FRENCH DATT IN DAKAR SAYS PARIS MAY YET ASK WASHINGTON FOR AIRLIFT SUPPORT TO MOVE THE BULK OF SENEGALESE TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT TO GOMA. EARLIER REPORTS OF THE ARRIVAL OF 300 SENEGALESE TROOPS IN GOMA WERE ERRONEOUS AS ONLY 36 HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED THUS FAR. THE GOF IS REPORTEDLY WEIGHING ALTERNATIVES TO A US ASSIST AND MAY VIEW IT AS A LAST RESORT. SENAGALESE APCs WILL

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NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS IN ANY EVENT.

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HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS  
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(LOU) ICRC ESTIMATES UP TO 1,000,000 RWANDANS ARE MOVING TOWARD LAKE KIVU AND HAS TIGHTENED ITS ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE KILLED SINCE APRIL TO BETWEEN 300,000 AND 500,000. (GENEVA 005793)

(LOU) A REFUGEE LEADER IN BENACO CAMP SAYS THE HUTU LEADER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RIOT TWO WEEKS AGO IS NOW UNWILLING TO GO TO DAR ES SALAAM FOR QUESTIONING BY TANZANIAN AUTHORITIES AND INSTEAD IS ASKING TO BE FLOWN TO GOMA, ZAIRE, ALONG WITH HIS FAMILY, TO RETURN TO RWANDA. THE UNHCR FAVORS GRANTING HIS REQUEST TO GET HIM OUT OF THE CAMP AND AWAY FROM HIS FOLLOWERS, ALTHOUGH IT WOULD MEAN FORFEITING THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING HIM TO JUSTICE FOR INSTIGATING ATROCITIES IN RWANDA.

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